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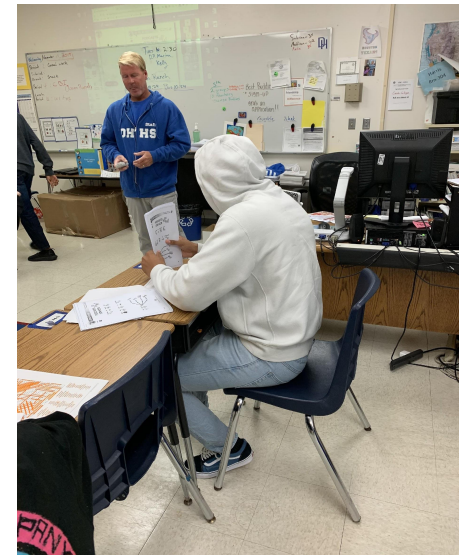
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## Structured Teaching Educating Prepared Students

(STEPS)

Secondary Program

Middle School and  
High School



## **CUSD Mission Statement**

CUSD's mission is to challenge each student to reach their highest potential. Meaningful instruction should always be individually appropriate, and have real-life application. In secondary education, autonomy is key in the areas of life skills, social skills and job skills. At CUSD, we embrace collaborative partnerships with the student, parents, community and IEP team.

## **Vision Statement of the Program**

Students will be provided with:

- Life Skills Training
- Social Skills Development
- Job Skills Acquisition/Training

## **Small Class Structure**

Classes are designed to provide specialized academic instruction to individuals with moderate to severe needs. Students are integrated within the general education program to the maximum degree appropriate to their individual needs.

## **Related Services**

These are services that may be required to help students access their education. These services may include:

- Transportation
- Speech/Language Therapy
- Adapted Physical Education
- Physical Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Assistive Technology
- Counseling Services
- Health Services



## **Additional Components**

- Functional academics
- Comprehensive life-skills curriculum
- Classes utilize a variety of strategies such as structured teaching and positive behavioral interventions
- Instruction in vocational skills
- Instruction in independent living/daily living skills
- Community Based Instruction (CBI) to provide application and generalization of skills learned in the classroom
- Social and communication skills embedded throughout the day
- Access to programs such as the Department of Rehabilitation, Workability, and Transition Partnership Program (TPP)
- Individual Transition Planning (ITP), ongoing and based on the students' individual needs, strengths, skills and interest
- Comprehensive ULS Curriculum